

Appl No. 09/894,542  
Amdt. dated October 8, 2003  
Reply to Office Action of July 10, 2003

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT: VERNON MEADOWS, ET AL.  
SERIAL NO.: 09/894,542  
FILED: June 28, 2001  
FOR: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
ELECTRONIC MESSAGE STATUS  
CERTIFICATION

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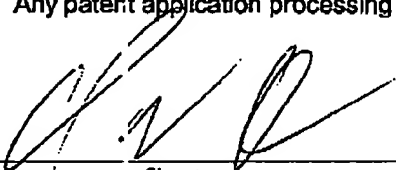
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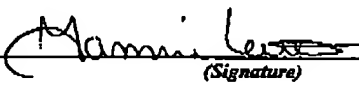
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**AMENDMENT**

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Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment and remarks contained herein in response to the Office Action mailed July 10, 2003. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendment and remarks contained herein place the instant application in condition for allowance.

<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)</b>				Docket No. <b>HL-0036</b>	
Applicant(s): <b>Vernon Meadows, et al.</b>					
Serial No. <b>09/894,542</b>	Filing Date <b>6-28-2001</b>	Examiner <b>Escalante, Ovidio</b>		Group Art Unit <b>2645</b>	
Invention: <b>SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ELECTRONIC MESSAGE STATUS CERTIFICATION</b>					
<u><b>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</b></u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
<b>TOTAL CLAIMS</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>x \$18.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>INDEP. CLAIMS</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>x \$86.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <b>06-1130</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.					
 _____ Signature			Dated: <b>October 8, 2003</b>		
<b>David A. Fox</b> <b>Reg. No. 38,807</b> <b>Confirmation No. 6211</b> <b>Cantor Colburn LLP</b> <b>55 Griffin Road South</b> <b>Bloomfield, CT 06002</b> <b>PTO Customer No. 36192</b> <b>(860) 286-2929</b>			<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">         I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on _____ with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.3 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.       </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;">         Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence       </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;">         Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence       </div>		
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